

Wellesley High School Graduates in Style



BY DAVE HALPERIN

Graduation ceremonies at Wellesley High School are a once-yearly occurrence, but it's not every year that the high school is being torn down in favor of a newer version, and it's not every year that the weather cooperates so fully.

"I have to say, this is vintage Class of 2011," said Principal Andrew Keough of the sunny skies. "When they want to celebrate, they do so in style."

Graduates of the class of 2011, including Class President James Sedaghatpour, Vice President Eva Lauer, Valedictorian Katerina Lin, and Senior Class Speaker

Alexander Liem, gathered on the football field on June 3 to thank their parents, teachers, and the innumerable other staff at the high school for their thirteen years of studies and activities, as well as to congratulate one another on a job well done.

"The Class of 2011 will leave a lasting legacy at Wellesley High

School," Lin said. "As the last class to graduate (from the current building), we've certainly left our mark."

They also took the opportunity to plan for the future.

"It's a scary step from the famil-

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New School Lunch Policy For 2011-2012

BY RENEE REYNOLDS

On June 14, the School Committee unanimously voted to implement a new policy that will require all students in Wellesley Public Schools to have a plus balance in their accounts in order to purchase lunch. This will take effect next school year at the elementary, middle school, and high schools levels.

The new policy comes in response to the school system's unpaid lunch debt. Under the current policy, students are allowed to buy lunch indefinitely, even after their account reaches a zero balance. This led to a deficit of nearly \$100,000 in outstanding lunch bills.

While a system has been implicated to collect the funds, there is still an outstanding balance of tens

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Newton Country Players to present "Into the Woods"

BY RENEE REYNOLDS

Next month, the Newton Country Players will present "Into the Woods," a classic musical by Stephen Sondheim and James Lapine. The play will be held at MassBay Community College on Oakland Street in Wellesley.

The play, which is directed by Laura Espy, tells the story of a baker and his wife who long for a child.

"They are forced to travel into the woods when they learn that they have been cursed by the witch from next door and the only way out is to retrieve a specific list of objects that she has requested," said Espy.

Throughout the play, audiences will be treated to familiar fairytale characters such as Little Red Riding Hood, Cinderella, Prince Charming and more. The story has won several Tony Awards, includ-

ing a 2002 award for Best Revival of a Musical. Espy says she believes the audience will take to the play because it incorporates a twist on so many well-known storylines.

"The beauty of this show is that it weaves together some well-known fairytale characters into one

they interact with one another. As the story progresses, we watch these characters grow and change from simple caricatures to deep and complex human beings."

The cast has been rehearsing every Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday in preparation of the



cohesive story," she said. "Our audience gets to see characters they know and love in a new way as

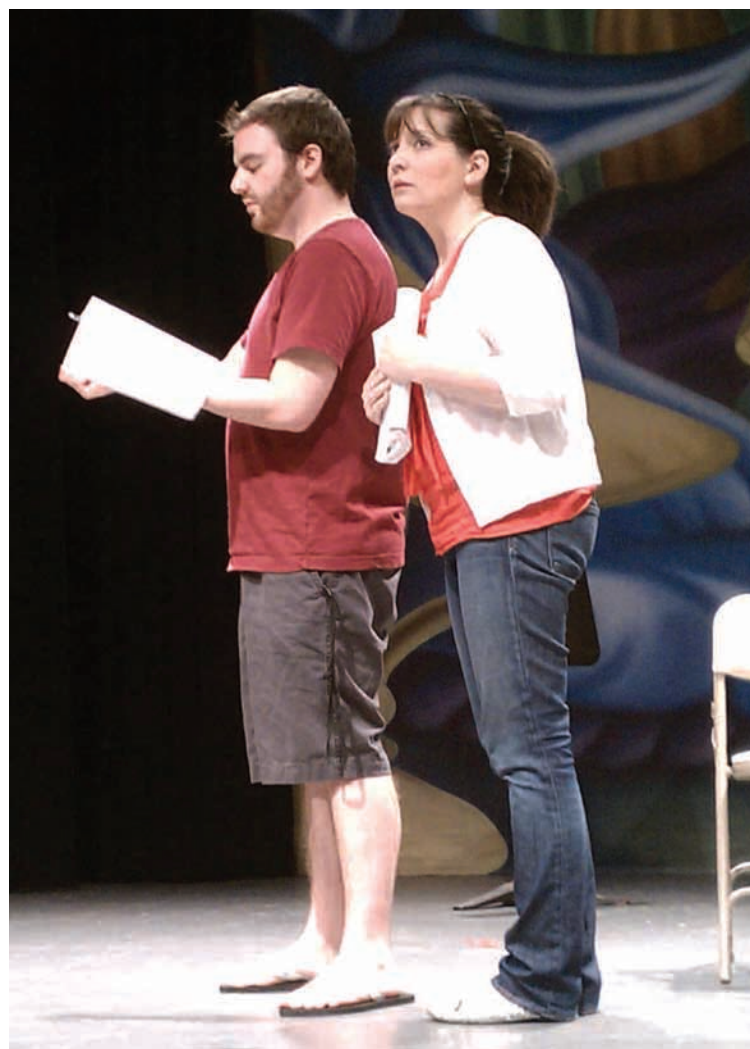
play's premiere in early August.

"This fractured fairytale musical looks at what happens after happily ever after," said Espy.

There will be five performances of the play: August 5 and 6 at 8 p.m., August 13 and 14 at 8 p.m., and August 15 at 2 p.m.

Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$18 for students.

Those interested in purchasing



tickets online may do so at www.TicketStage.com/NCP. Tickets may also be purchased by calling 617-244-9538 or emailing

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Preventing the "My Vacation Is Over" Blues

The day before I was to fly home from vacation, I went to see a very funny comedy show. While waiting for the show to start I found my thoughts drifting to tomorrow and having to fly home, and the next day when I'd have to start work again. "This is the last day of my vacation," I thought. Suddenly I felt anxious and depressed. In reality, there was nothing I needed to do today to prepare for tomorrow or the next day. So, in order to be present and enjoy this day I did the boundary tap* to prevent tomorrow from leaking into today.

As I did that, I realized I always have a tendency to be thinking ahead to the future and then feeling like I missed today. The novel though occurred to me to look back over my vacation and remember with pleasure the highlights of each day. I soon felt happy and cheerful and was able to enjoy the play. On the flight

back to Boston I repeated the review of each day of my vacation, feeling more and more refreshed and satisfied. When the captain announced the approach to landing, I actually felt happy and ready to be home and go back to work! In fact, our colleague and spiritual director, Rabbi Terry Greenstein, called this a gratitude exercise, and recommends that we do this at the end of every day focusing on the positives of the day!

So use this gratitude exercise to hold on to the joy of your summer (feel free to review the highlights as many times as you want) and have just as enjoyable a fall.

Gratitude Exercise

Optional: Do a boundary tap to prevent worry about tomorrow from leaking into today.

At the end of each day (and/or week, etc.) look back and review

the positive experiences. See what you were seeing, hear what you were hearing, smell what you were smelling, and especially feel the pleasure you were feeling.

* The boundary tap is performed by tapping on the sternum with the fingertips of one hand alternating with a feathering motion from the sternum up the base of the throat, up the neck, out the chin. The tapping seals the boundary, and the feathering motion ejects any negative energy that the client does not want to keep. Boundaries are typically sealed in 2-3 minutes.

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iar to the unknown... but we learn the most from our toughest challenges," said Liem. "Regardless of what we choose to do with our lives, there comes a time when we will be out there on our own... We will go out on a limb, take a leap of faith."

Liem implored his fellow graduates to choose jobs, activities, and educational paths "because it matters to you." Regardless of whether you attend a "U.S. News and World Report college, or even if you go to college at all," Liem told

his fellow students, "working at something you love makes it worthwhile, so I hope we all discover... things we love and that make us tick."

Looking back on their 13 years of schooling, speakers also recalled what it felt like trying to fit in, both during their elementary school years and during high school.

Remembering his arrival at elementary school wearing loafers and a suit - per his mother's fashion choices - while everyone else had on the latest sneaker styles, Sedaghatpour said he soon got his

first pair of sneakers: "I was five," he said, "and the world was new."

Now, he continued, he has 12 pairs of sneakers and he and his classmates are ready for the real world after the hard work and continued support of their families and the faculty at WHS.

The graduating seniors honored the WHS community and their own special place in history with a gift of plants that can be transferred to the new school at the time of its expected move-in date in

February.

"We wanted our tenacity to live on," Lauer said, and "to be remembered for being as lively" as the plants they are gifting.

Meanwhile, Keough left his graduating seniors with a tale of overcoming the pitfalls of worrying too much over their futures.

"Every little thing is gonna be alright," he said, quoting a Bob Marley song. "Thank you for every little thing and good luck."



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of thousands of dollars.

Families who have still not paid their bills have received telephone calls from the school department and have been sent letters notifying them of their balances. According to the letters, if the families do not contact the school to work out a payment plan, their accounts will be sent to a constable for collection. This costs \$70 dollars per account, according to Superintendent Bella T. Wong.

Therefore, Wong recommended the new policy. In addition to requiring all students to have a positive balance in their lunch accounts in order to purchase lunch or a la carte items, cash will no longer be accepted from high school students.

Students eligible for free or reduced lunch will still be provided with a single hot lunch each day.

For students whose account reaches zero dollars, lunch will be provided for five days, and parents will be notified that they must pack a bagged lunch for their students if their accounts are not brought back to good standing within the five day period.

Despite concern from committee members that there could be some issues at the beginning of the year, such as confusion for students accustomed to buying lunch with cash, school officials are doing their best to combat this potential problem. According to School Committee Chair Suzy Littlefield, the schools are working with vendors to allow cash for the first month to eliminate confusion and ease the process of entering into a new system.

School officials will be sending families specifics on the new policy over the summer. This will include information on the modified system as well as instructions on how to open lunch accounts online.

According to the new policy, students with a positive balance on their account at the end of the school year may apply the funds to the following school year or request the money be returned.

Morses Pond Opens for Swimming

BY DAVE HALPERIN

To the enjoyment of local beachgoers of all ages, the beach area at Morises Pond opened for the season on June 8. The beach is located at the end of Turner Road off of Weston Road and features swimming, boating, swim classes, and other events and activities.

But first and foremost, as lifeguard Dan Levy said, it's a beach.

"It's a beach where there's nowhere else to swim in the area," he said, adding that, as a staff member, Morises Pond is also a place where he reunites with old friends. "This is my fourth year working here, and everyone's good friends, so it's more like you come back to work with your friends."

Opening Day was a Wednesday, but Wellesley Public School students had only a half day of school and the weather was ideal for swimming, so the beach attracted a number of people of all ages.

Hannah Kreiss, Gigi Celi, Mimi Celi, Caroline Cowley, and

Rory Claire, all students from the Hunnewell School, enjoyed the water while also putting the finishing touches on a sand castle. Mimi Celi said the best part of the beach is the docks.

Wellesley resident Ruth Sullivan estimated she has been visiting the pond for about 70 years, and said that for years she worked at the beach.

"It's very pleasant and quiet," she said. "And they do a great job of keeping everything safe and under control. It's family oriented."

The beach at Morises Pond is open from 10 a.m. - 7 p.m. daily, although the beach staff may close the beach earlier than 7 p.m. due to inclement weather.

Beach tags are available for purchase at the pond,

with different fees for residents and non-residents. The tags are also available online through the Recreation Department's web site at http://www.ci.wellesley.ma.us/pages/WellesleyMA_Recreation/index.

With all of these activities and tens of thousands of visitors over the course of a summer, Beach Manager Andrew Ellsworth has a lot to keep track of, but he said the experience is a labor of love.

"I love that it's family-oriented... and it's working at a beach, so you can't complain," Ellsworth said. "Our job is just to make sure people are safe and having fun."



"You can go out to the deep end and jump off the docks and play games," she said, adding that the slide is pretty good as well.

Padraig Barrett and Mary Marie were there with their daughter, three-year-old Faye, who will attend swimming lessons at the pond this summer. They said that after recently moving to Wellesley from Ireland the beach has been a pleasant surprise.

"To have this facility on your doorstep is nice, rather than having to drive to the beach," Barrett said, while Marie called Morises Pond "every kid's dream and every parent's dream."

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Little League News

**Wellesley Williamsport
Tournament News**

Congratulations to the players and coaches selected to represent our Wellesley North and Wellesley South divisions in the international Williamsport baseball tournament commencing on July 1st. The players selected for the teams are listed below. Wellesley will be competing in District 10 this year, with teams from Dedham, Newton, Watertown and West Roxbury. We will have the privilege this year of hosting some of the tournament games, so please check our website at wellesleylittleleague.org.

Wellesley South Roster

Coaches: David Rosenblatt,

Co-Manager; Rob Cerulle, Co-Manager; Matt Stein, Coach

Players: Taylor Beckett, Kaeden Bentley, Robby Cerulle, Joseph Flaherty, Geoffrey Fox, Ethan Murphy, Bo Picking, Jack Roberts, Billy Seidl, Jack Waisel, Isaac Wycker.

Wellesley North Roster

Coaches: Bob Cronin, Manager; Bob Higgins, Coach; John Dolan, Coach

Players: Connor Bowman, Grant Chryssicas, John Copeland, Robbie Cronin, Brendan Dolan, Garrett Doyle, Cameron Garfield, Max Guiffre, Bradley Hart, Colin Kehoe, Dylan Lindquist, Bennett Psychogeos, Jack Tishman.

Cubs Win!!!

Grab Little League Championship In Hard-fought Series With Braves

BY DAVE HALPERIN

With contributions from up and down their lineup and gutsy pitching performances, the Cubs withstood multiple series and in-game comebacks by the Braves to pull out an improbable 2-1 American League Championship series win.

"What makes the Cubs special is that everyone is a contributor. I'm

Johnny Copeland completed the two-out rally with a single over the middle to score Cronin and secure the 6-4 lead for the Braves, who loaded the bases again but failed to score.

"The key was Robbie Cronin," Braves Manager Bob Cronin said after Game 2. "He's been towing our wagon all year long."

only to see the Braves mount a comeback.

In the bottom of the third Doyle drilled a shot over the centerfield fence to bring the Braves to within two, while Graham Harris's leadoff triple in the fifth inning sparked a rally that tied the game at 3-3. After Harris motored to third on his hit to right, Doyle walked and Cronin's grounder scored Harris on a fielder's choice. With Doyle at third, a shot by Copeland stung Cubs pitcher Calvin Isley in the leg, leading to an infield hit that evened the score.

But Isley valiantly took the mound and got consecutive outs to end the inning. His ability to rally after the injury may have keyed the Cubs win, as he allowed just one hit the rest of the way.

The Cubs bats did their part in the top of the sixth. Patrick Dufour and Isley drew walks before Hart's double gave the team in blue the lead for good. A ground rule double to right by Attasani provided security, scoring Hart and Ryan

In the last of the eighth, with the Braves still leading 6-4, third baseman and pitcher Spenser Smith took the mound to close out the game with some clutch pitching. After allowing consecutive singles to Mathias Kogon and Davis Atta-

really happy with how it turned out, especially against a team like the Braves," said Cubs Manager Tom Hart, adding that if the two teams kept at it in a longer series, "I think it would have gone back and forth."

And that's exactly how the series itself went: back and forth.

After Cam Garfield pitched the Cubs to a 6-0 win in the series opener with an impressive 10 strikeouts, the Braves stormed back in Game 2 to even the series, but it took extra innings and a two-out rally to pull it off.

With Game 2 tied 4-4 after six, Cubs pitcher Chris Attasani calmly mowed down the next two Braves after walking Liam Morgan. But



the back-to-back strikeouts didn't deter shortstop Robbie Cronin, who hammered a triple to the base of the fence in right-center that scored Morgan and landed Cronin at third in a close play that raised the Reidy Field dust.

lah that put Cubs on first and third with no outs, Smith settled things down with a strikeout and then a pop-up in foul territory. When a walk to Bradley Hart loaded the bases and threatened the Braves chances, Smith regrouped and forced a game-ending groundout on a 3-1 count.

Cronin was quick to credit Smith's big-game mentality.

"Smitty wants the ball in key moments in the game," he said. "He was just outstanding."

In the third and deciding game of the series, after lock-down pitching by the Braves Garrett Doyle and the Cubs Grant Chryssicas in the first two innings, the Cubs took an early lead off hits by Hart and Garfield,



Madden, with Attasani later crossing the plate on a fielder's choice grounder by Ryan Mo-Anne that made it 8-3.

True to their nature, the Braves were game for another comeback. In the last of the sixth, Morgan and Graham walked before Smith's infield hit loaded the bases, but it was too little too late for the Braves offense, giving the Cubs the game - and the championship.

Isley credited his mates with the win.

"It was our clutch hitting in the top of the 6th, and Grant [Chryssica]'s pitching in the first couple innings," he said.

Focus on Vacation Art Purchases

BY PETER ZIEGELMAN
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July is one of the most popular months for a summer vacation. Whether you are traveling locally, nationally or internationally; vacations are a great time to see, enjoy and possibly even buy original art that represents your vacation. With few daily distractions and a feeling of total relaxation, most vacationers want to take a piece of their surroundings home with them. More than likely the art in the local galleries will represent the area in which you have traveled.

Buying art on vacation can be a lot of fun but you may want to stay away from large pieces unless you have a specific place in mind for them and have taken measurements in advance.

You also don't have the luxury of trying out and returning the piece if it doesn't fit your expectations. Smaller pieces can be hung anywhere and will give you that warm reminder of your trip.

If you are not traveling by car, how to get a piece of art home

needs to be considered. If you are buying a work on paper, have the gallery ship it flat if at all possible. Rolling art on paper is not really good for it. With art on canvas, you can save some money if you have it shipped stretched without a frame.

You can always get the piece framed at home and get a frame of your choice. Keep in mind that any art purchases made out of state that are shipped are tax free so that should pay for most of the shipping. Also, some galleries will ship purchased items free of charge.

Art purchases on vacation will always be a warm reminder of a pleasant time had by the entire family.

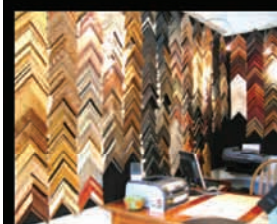
Photographs are great, but how many times do you take those out and look at them? A piece of art representing your vacation will hang on your wall and remind you every day of that special trip!

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Wellesley Town Hall News

BY DAVE HALPERIN

Inter-Board Meeting

The Board of Selectmen's final Inter-Board meeting of the year took place June 16 and featured members of all the Town's volunteer boards, as well as a number of Town Hall staffers. Board of Selectmen Chairwoman Kathryn Babson thanked volunteers and Town Hall employees for their work.

"What a pleasure and a privilege it has been to work with all of you and the boards, and I hope that we continue to note the incredible commitment that we have from our staff, that has done, without exception, wonderful things for us and for the town," Babson said.

Whole Foods Market

Also at the Inter-Board Meeting, Town Manager Hans Larsen updated attendees on the status of Whole Foods' moved to the site of the former Stop & Shop at 448 Washington St.

"They're going to open it on August 22," Larsen said. "It's inconceivable to me, but that's what they told me [on June 16]... It's going to be a very impressive operation once it's done."

As for what type of operation will succeed Whole Foods at its current spot, Larssen said the property owner is looking for a tenant, and that rumors of a Trader Joe's filling the space are unfounded. Trader Joe's wants more square footage than the site offers, he said.

The space once occupied by Blockbusters, near the current Whole Foods, will become a bank, Larssen added.

All Town Meeting Member Seats Open Due to Redistricting

Due to a population increase in Wellesley, the town is adding a new voting precinct next year. Drawing from surrounding precincts in the middle of town, the new precinct - called "H" - will be the town's eighth. According to Town Clerk Kathleen Nagle, federal law requires that no voting precinct have more than 4,000 qualified voters, and a recent population increase in town pushed some precincts over the edge.

"We just hit that outline," Nagle said. "We just squeezed by in

2000, and then we hit the outline in 2010. We will not be adding another district for another 50 years."

The federal census of 2010 counted 27,982 people living in Wellesley, up from 26,613 in 2000.

The addition of a new district means that all Town Meeting Member seats will become open in 2012, regardless of whether current members' terms are up, with elections taking place in March 2012 at the Annual Town Election; however, current members will not need to take out nomination papers in order to be on the ticket.

Those interested in becoming a Town Meeting Member can find more information and receive nomination papers at the Town Clerk's office at Town Hall. Getting on the ballot requires ten signatures from registered voters in the candidate's precinct; forms will be available on January 1, 2012.

News on "Turn Out the Lights"

The celebration of the old Wellesley High School now has a Facebook page: <http://www.facebook.com/WellesleysTurnOutTheLights>. In other news about the celebration, Beth Carillo Thomas, class of 1980, will be producing the Saturday evening musical/theatrical gala. People who might wish to perform or know someone who would, can email her at whscallfortalent@gmail.com.

Chris Holownia, a language teacher at the high school and WHS graduate 2002, has volunteered to be the artistic director and work with the current students in the show. Amanda Beals, class of 1992, and Adam Harrington, class of 1996, will be the M.C.s for the show. Alan Henrickson, a Wellesley resident and Director of Diplomatic Studies at the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, has agreed to be the moderator at the Nov. 22, 7:30 p.m. panel discussion with WHS graduates Nick Burns, Jeff Fager and Aneesh Ranen. Should anyone wish to do-

nate seed money for the project, they can send checks made payable to The Wellesley Bank, P.O. Box 812087, Wellesley, MA 02482.

Buy a Piece of Wellesley History

Residents can now purchase a Fire Alarm Box from the Town. The approximately 250 boxes for sale were part of a system that notified the Fire Department of emergencies. They were located on telephone poles, each with a number assigned to it, and if a box was pulled, its number would be transmitted to the Fire Station so firefighters could respond appropriately.

Now that cell phone use is widespread, the fire engine-red boxes with the old-fashioned pull-down levers have become obsolete. The Fire Department and Municipal Light Plant have removed the boxes and are in the process of converting all municipal, commercial, and education facilities to a new wireless notification technology.

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Our Town & Around

By DAVE HALPERIN

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Who: Caroline Gray and Claire Garpes

Where: The picnic tables outside The Linden Store.



What are they up to? Relaxing after their last day of finals at WHS.

What's next? Going back to school for an Ice Cream Social run by their club, the Student Unification Program.

How about for the summer?

Caroline: I sail, so I'm excited for that.

Claire: I'm going to Africa to work in a hospital.



Who: Dave Petrucci, owner of Linden Citgo

Where: Doing an inspection in the shop.

What's the best part of the job? Meeting the people.

What's the most popular car to come in for work? A lot of Volvos.

How old is Linden Citgo? My father started it 35 years ago, and I've been here 24 years.

Who: Sandro Oliveira, mechanic, Linden Citgo



How long have you been working here? 16 years.

How did you learn the trade?

My father had a shop in Brazil.

What's the most difficult work to do? Head gaskets and pumps.



Who: Eric Johnson and Cam Blanchard

Why do you ride scooters? Eric: We can get around without public transportation or cars.

Cam: They're cheap enough where all your friends can buy one.

Where are you off to?

Cam: We're heading to Morses Pond to swim.



Who: Lamars Hughes

What's going on today? Mostly today is just patrol. Making sure people are safe.

Where have you been out? I'm patrolling from the Natick line to Forest Street, and from Washington Street to Needham Street.

Why do you like your job? I like talking to people and helping people. That's probably the best part of the job - knowing that I can help people.



Who: Michael Galligan

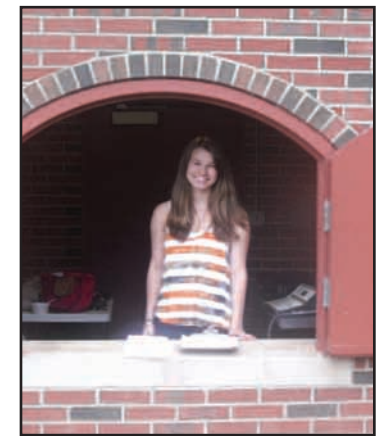
Where spotted: Doing his summer job at The Linden Store

What's he do the rest of the year: Attends NYU, where he studies

acting.

Is he good at his job? Owner Mark LeBrun: Well, he's an incredible actor.

Co-owner Greg LeBrun: And when he's here, he's good at acting like he's a good employee.



Who: Sarah Thirman

Where spotted: In the public address announcer's booth at Reidy Field during the Little League Championship series.

What do you like about your job? I like getting to meet all the kids, and instead of just watching it's nice to be a part of it.

Art and History Revisited

By DAVE HALPERIN

Every year members of the Hills Garden Club partake in a flower arranging project, each interpreting a chosen work of art in a take-off on the Museum of Fine Art's popular Art in Bloom flower arranging festival. But it's not



This year the Wellesley Hills Garden Club designed floral arrangements based on the work of Wellesley's Mary Brewster Hazelton.

every year that each member interprets the same work of art - and it's not every year that the artist whose work they interpret is a famous Wellesley artist, the late Mary Brewster Hazelton.

Moreover, two members of the Club have historical connections of their own to Hazelton. Barbara McAlpin once took art lessons from Hazelton, and she recently recalled the realization that the portrait she was staring at was drawn by a woman whose house she visited once a week in junior high.

"They showed us the picture at a previous meeting, and when they mentioned her name, it all came flooding back," McAlpin said. "It was interesting... I realized I did have an attachment to this woman, and that I had never realized how famous she was or how clever she was."

McAlpin's art lessons took place after her mother decided that, with Hazelton's house was so close to the junior high, it would be convenient to make a weekly trip for art instruction. Saying she can't remember any other reason why her mother thought the art lessons would suit her, or why Hazelton "took me as a student," McAlpin recalls the lessons fondly.

"She was very soft, and she never criticized," McAlpin said. "She was very giving. I don't remember her ever saying anything was wrong. It was almost like a sweet memory. It was just something that I looked forward to doing every week. She was very sweet and kind... and why she took me I'll never know."...

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Raider Pride Banquet

BY LIZZY SNELL

"Once you're a Raider, you're always a Raider." That's the motto of the annual Raider Pride Senior Banquet that took place this year on Wednesday, June 1 at the Wellesley Middle School cafeteria.

Each year, Wellesley athletics honors its senior athletes with a catered banquet and ceremony where awards and scholarships are handed out to the graduating Raiders. With Wellesley teams racking up a whopping 14 league championships, there were many accomplishments to recognize.

"It's something the kids want to do," said Wellesley Athletic Director John Brown of Wellesley athletics. "It's not like an English class where you have to go — they choose to do it. To see that many kids who want to play, and we can provide that many spots for kids to stay involved...it's most rewarding we have something the kids want to do. And they're succeeding. It's fun to watch."

According to Brown there were 1,400 or 1,500 spots on 70 athletic teams this year. Wellesley had a total of 803 student athletes, 139 of them seniors and 156 three-sport athletes.

"Today in this day and age, you have kids who specialize in one maybe two sports and we have 156 who play three," Brown said.

Brown added that of Wellesley's entire graduating class 80 percent played a sport at some time during their high school career.

"You get to know the kids," he said. "At one point or another they were all part of our program."

MaryAnne McDonald, administrative assistant to Director Brown, has worked in the Wellesley Athletic Department for 19 years and said the annual banquet was happening before her time in the office.

"It's pride. It's what we're made up of," McDonald said. "It's a longtime tradition."

Along with awards like "MVP" and "Most Improved" there are multiple scholarships given out, each with a story behind them, McDonald said.

"Each [scholarship] means something special," McDonald said. "I'm a townie; I've been here all my life. It's very important that these stories continue to be told. If [the student] gets a special scholarship it means a lot."

Even Mother Nature could not deter Wellesley Raiders from attending the June 1st event. That Wednesday evening, tornadoes and severe thunderstorms rippled across Massachusetts but the 300 Raiders and their families braved the weather to honor their athletes.

"It [shows the] dedication of parents and athletes," McDonald said.

"The event started at 6:30 and at 6:10 there was no one there. But by 6:30 we had 300 people in that cafeteria. It's such a testament to our department; I was thrilled. I was very happy. It means that they care."

Brown was quick to credit McDonald with a majority of the planning and preparation that goes into

making the Raider banquet a reality every year and that he "gives her all the props in the world" for getting it done.

McDonald said that the "frenzy" begins around the end of April or early May and includes booking a location and sending out all of the invitations, including to the seniors, scholarship families and athletes of

the week.

"[The banquet] means a lot," McDonald said. "I had three children come through Wellesley, my father graduated in 1940. It's a tradition that seems like forever. It's important. If you wear Wellesley across your chest it's something you should be proud of the rest of your life."

"Raider Pride" Banquet June, 2011 Awards And Scholarships

Robert Lynah Memorial Golf Award: Jake Kaminer

The George Kilmain Memorial Golf Scholarship: Patrick Sullivan

Francis X. Quinn Memorial Sailing Award: Zander Liem

The Pete Chamberlain Cross Country Scholarships:

MOST OUTSTANDING RUNNER: Peter Kreig & **MOST IMPROVED:** John Williamson

Wellesley Girl's Softball Scholarship: Michelle Silver

Kevin W. Lyons Memorial Football Scholarship: Duncan Johnson

The Weisenbach-Ciesluk Memorial Football Scholarship: Brett Mongeau

The Jordan E. Sax Memorial Scholarship Award: Adam Farina

Brian Reidy Memorial Baseball Scholarship: Dan Dymecki & Matt Farina

Kelli K. MacDonald Memorial Athletic Scholarship: Catherine King

The Miles C. Page Memorial Athletic Scholarship: Michelle Silver

Jon Hamilton Award: Adam Farina

FIRST YEAR AWARD: Chris A. Molonea Award: Molly McNamara

The "Raider Pride" Award: Dillon Prives

Male and Female "Senior Athlete of the Year" Awards:

Blake Dietrick (Female Athlete), Sam Lawrence (Male Athlete)

The Board of Selectmen Recently Approved the Following Appointments to Town Boards

For a one-year term to expire 6/30/2012

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Town Counsel - Albert S. Robinson

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Electrical Inspector/Inspector of Wires - Michael R. Sweeney

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Local Inspector - Russell Wheeler

On Call Electrical Inspector - Douglas Sanford

Sealer of Weights and Measurers Jack Walsh

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Wellesley Schools To Keep Single Stream Recycling System

BY RENEE REYNOLDS

Last month, it was reported that three Wellesley High seniors had started an online petition to transform recycling in Wellesley Public Schools from a single stream system to a dual stream system. Seniors Sam Boland, Jackie Zhou and



Paul Buser, who have since graduated, explained the environmental and financial benefits of a dual stream system in their petition. However, with a new contract in place, Wellesley Public Schools will be going forward with the single stream system for at least another school year.

This comes as a disappointment to the recycling advocates, who said the high school had already been set up for a dual stream system, and that sorting systems were already in place in 71 percent of elementary and middle school classrooms.

Boland, who has been a very vocal advocate for the dual stream system, says he is quite disappointed by the contract.

"[The contract] is a step back for all the reasons you would think," said Boland. "We live in Wellesley, an incredibly affluent town that has one of the most advanced recycling facilities in the world, and the fact that the public schools cannot work hand in hand with the Department of Public Works is downright upsetting."

The contract, which will run through the school year, is with E.L. Harvey & Sons and calls for all recyclable materials to be brought to a facility in Marlboro.

Boland says that after a meeting with Superintendent Bella T. Wong on June 2, she explained to him that her personal goal was reduction of trash and waste. Wong also told the advocates that the contract with E.L. Harvey would benefit this goal by measuring and weighing the waste and recycling

ables removed from the schools.

Still, Boland says, this is not reason enough to go forward with a single stream system.

"We informed her that the Wellesley DPW is perfectly capable of [measuring and weighing waste], and that reduction can absolutely be a priority with both dual and single stream recycling, but she dismissed that point," said Boland.

Wong could not be reached for comment.

On June 7, just a few days after their meeting with Wong, Boland, Zhou and Buser took their argument before the School Committee. This meeting, Boland said, gave the dual stream advocates a bit more reassurance on the possibility of an eventual change in the recycling system.

"The head of the School Committee mentioned they had been receiving a lot of attention and letters from Town Meeting members regarding the issue," said Boland. "This is an issue the School Committee is clearly aware of and I do believe they will reconsider [the single stream recycling system]."

Suzy Littlefield, the School Committee chair, said their contract is a system-wide pilot program and that it is possible that the schools may eventually change from a single stream system.

"The contract will run through the next school year and will then be evaluated," Littlefield said. "Once that is done, then we can move forward."

Wellesley Square To Face Parking Overhaul

BY RENEE REYNOLDS

While the planning process is still in its initial phases, individuals from Wellesley's Planning Board are seeking to make changes to parking in Wellesley Square, which would affect all residents who park on Washington and Central Streets.

One aspect of the plan involves increasing meter rates from 25 cents per hour up to 50 or 75 cents. On May 16, Deputy Director of General Government Terry Connolly made a presentation on why this is necessary for the town.

According to Connolly, the meters have not been evaluated since the 1980s, and Wellesley's rates are lower than almost all other towns in the area.

Increased rates would mean benefits for Wellesley, Connolly says. He also stated the money from the meters would only be used to benefit traffic and parking in the town.

"The money from parking meters goes into a separate fund than other money collected from things like parking tickets," Connolly said. "The town would not be able to decide to use it for schools or general funds. It would go toward things like paving parking lots, improving sidewalks, and providing new traffic signals."

Another element of the plan includes finding alternative parking for employees who work in Wellesley Square.

"The town never wanted employees to park on Central Street or Washington Street," Connolly said. "But, if you are going to tell [employees] they can't park there,

you need to give them another place to park."

Connolly says the reason for this is because these parking spaces in the Square are designed for shoppers. With employees parking



there throughout the day, Connolly says, there is a decreased turnover rate.

Also part of the plan is the replacement of benches in Wellesley Square, some of which were destroyed during the winter's snow

storms, as well as adding signs to show people where to find certain locations and stores in the Square.

Still, the plan does not come without its challenges, Connolly says.

"With the economy the way it is, and with so many vacant storefronts in Wellesley Square, it could be a bit more challenging of a time to increase rates," he noted.

Connolly emphasized that the plan is still in its initial phases, and that the time and scope will become more defined in the upcoming months.

The Planning Board will be accepting input from landlords, residents, and employees who would be affected by the changes. Connolly says there will be a meeting held in September at which all interested parties can offer their opinions.

"More details will become available over the summer," Connolly said. "We will see what ideas we can spark to make Wellesley a better place."

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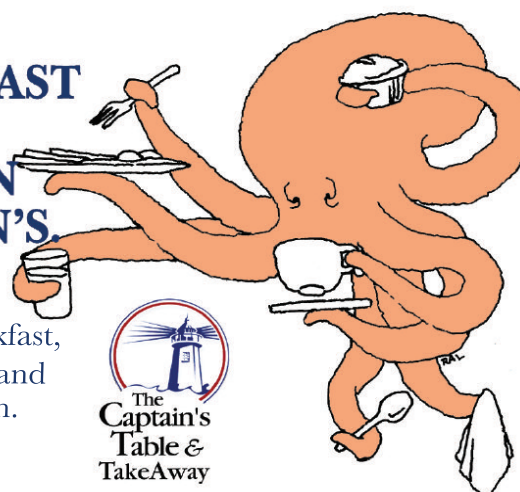
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Bright Lights: Wellesleyites You Should Know

By: Je'Lesia M. Jones

"Andrew Ellsworth"

By JE'LESIA M. JONES

Andrew Ellsworth, Beach Manager at Morses Pond, has always loved to swim. In fact, Andrew has always been somewhat of a "jock." His passion for sports began while growing up in Wellesley and attending Bates School and the Mid-

dle School, where he began playing football. His love-of-the-game continued through high school varsity during his junior and senior years at Wellesley High School, where he played football, baseball, and yes, was a member of the Swim Team.

"I have been a lifeguard for ten years," Andrew said, "receiving

my Certification at (New Hampshire's) Lake Winnepesaukee. I got the job at Morses Pond about six years ago."

When he began working at Morses Pond, Andrew served as a lifeguard. "It is a great job to have in high school and college. After a few years as a lifeguard, I worked my way up to Lifeguard Captain and then to Head Lifeguard," Andrew said.

He was appointed a Morses Pond Beach Manager in 2010. In his role, Andrew is responsible for the day-to-day operation of the Pond. "There's a total of twelve people you're responsible for on your shift," he added.

Activities abound at Morses Pond Beach. "We had the first yoga class start on Wednesday," Andrew said. Other activities at the Beach will include story time and book camp. "This is, of course, in addition to swimming lessons, water slide, kayaking, pedal boat, and canoes, which you can rent," Andrew said gesturing with his hand as to convey the host of programs and learning experiences available to Wellesley residents. He said that there are also swimming lessons for ages 3 years and above, "and the older class, for children seven to nine years of age."

In addition, private swimming classes for children are also offered. Kayak lessons for both children and adults are available at the Pond as well.

"The favorite part of my job is that I like seeing kids having fun and being safe. That's the highlight

of my day," Andrew said, the joy floating across his face like a cloud.

Safety is extremely important to the staff and management at Morses Pond. "I've had a number



of distressed swimmers and a few false alarms, but the staff trains daily, so we are always ready," he said.

"One of the big things we try to instill in our staff is safety," said Matt Chin, Assistant Director of the Wellesley Recreation Department and Andrew's boss. "Andrew has taken that to heart, making sure the facility is safe and patrons are having fun. We try and bring people over to the Pond by offering programs. We want people to come and say, 'this is a great spot, I should bring my family here.'"

As part of the safety and security program at the Pond, Andrew explained that there are two shifts of lifeguards and workers. When he is not at the pond, that means fellow Beach Manager John Goodridge is on duty.

Each shift has eight lifeguards. Shifts run from Sunday to Wednesday and Wednesday to Saturday. In addition to the lifeguards there are additional office

staff that handle membership, fees, and other administrative matters.

Andrew Ellsworth, a twin to brother Jonathan and an older brother to Joshua, recalls some of his favorite childhood memories at Morses Pond. "I remember when I was a kid at Morses Pond. My two brothers and me used to go to the beach every day, opening to closing. Every day," Andrew said with delight.

"Morses Pond is a hidden gem in Wellesley," Andrew continued. "I live in Cambridgeport, a neighborhood that is nice, but it is nice to come home. It makes me appreciate home that much more," he said.

Andrew takes pride in having grown up in Wellesley and graduating from Wellesley High School in 2003. His parents, Mark and Diane Ellsworth, still live on Linden Street. "Every now and then they make an appearance at the beach," Andrew said with a grin.

Currently, Andrew is a graduate student at Lesley University in Cambridge, studying for his Master's in Education. He lives in his own apartment in Cambridgeport. "I want to be a history teacher," he said.

His favorite subject in high school was history and his favorite teacher was Mr. Phil Whitbeck, who taught sophomore and junior history at Wellesley High School.

"Mr. Whitbeck was a great teacher. He was skilled at making history come alive," Andrew said.

Asked if he had advice for Wellesley High School's 2011 graduates, Andrew said, "My advice to them is to find something you like and stick with it. Don't be afraid to try new things. You never know what you might like, if you don't try."

Morses Pond Beach is open seven days a week from 10:00 am - 7:00 pm. For additional information call the Pond office at 781-431-7724 or the Recreation department at 781-235-2370.

"Bright Lights: Wellesleyites You Should Know" appears in each edition of Wellesley Local Town Pages. Readers are invited to email suggestions of a local person who is doing something interesting, striving to make life better for Wellesley residents, or is simply a community 'gem' our readers should know about. If you know a Wellesley resident worthy of spotlighting, email Je'Lesia Jones at arie8@comcast.net.

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Volunteer Drivers Program Keeps Senior Citizens Mobile

By Renee Reynolds

On February 28, 2011, the Wellesley Council on Aging launched its Volunteer Drivers Program, a six-month pilot program sponsored by the Fund for Wellesley. The program coordinators are now in the process of finalizing a formal evaluation of the program to be completed by drivers and passengers.

The Volunteer Drivers Program was designed to help senior citizens stay mobile and maintain their quality of life, said Gayle Thieme, director of senior services at the Wellesley Council on Aging.

"It really is a personal service," said Thieme. "It has a 'neighbors helping neighbors' feel."

The program was largely influenced by Barbara Peacock-Coady, who Thieme says wears many hats in town. Peacock-Coady, who was the volunteer coordinator in 2010, did the majority of the work as far as modeling the program and developing a proposal.

"It was very thoughtfully put together," said Thieme.

The Volunteer Drivers Program, which Thieme emphasized is not intended to replace any other transportation means, was designed as a supplement to the alternative services already existing in town. It is utilized by many individuals over the age of 60 who have either surrendered their licenses or who may need the service on a temporary basis.

Funding for the program will run until the end of August. This money supports the program itself as well as salary for a staff mem-

ber for 10 hours per week. This individual, Lois Camberg, is the special projects coordinator for the Volunteer Drivers Program.

The program has invested a "ton of energy" in developing an outreach program to the citizens of Wellesley, Thieme said. Directors have sent out newsletters to all households, put up flyers around town, and reached out to various houses of worship.

According to Thieme, the program itself functions online, and matches volunteers and drivers based entirely upon availability. Volunteers may be taking seniors to appointments, food shopping, or another location they are used to attending so that they do not have to feel isolated simply because they are no longer driving.

The best thing about the program, says Thieme, is that it is extremely flexible.

"The volunteers never have to commit to a shift or feel guilty if they don't have enough time to volunteer," she said. "Some people are regular volunteers, and others volunteer once every couple of months. We are so appreciative of and grateful for one and all."

Thieme says there are about 23 volunteer drivers in all and that there is a vast age range among the volunteers. Still, she said, they are actively seeking new volunteers.

Those interested in volunteering with the Volunteer Drivers Program may call 508-479-9301 or the Wellesley Council on Aging at 781-235-3961.

Local Actors Grace the Stage

BY DAVE HALPERIN

Recent Wellesley Summer Theater Company productions featured two local actors: Wellesley College student and Wellesley High School alum Madeline Buckley, and Weston native Lewis Wheeler.

Buckley performed in the children's production "An Odd Izzy," which tells the story of how Isabel, or Izzy, overcomes being "grounded forever" in her room by her mother for the crime of drawing caricatures of her teacher and principal. Thankfully for Izzy, one of her stuffed animals comes alive during her grounding, and she is also visited by her teacher and principal.

That teacher, Flo, is played by Buckley, who joins Izzy for a song on stage; it's a moment that exemplifies Buckley's love of theater.

"I really like being on stage and presenting the audience with a different world," she says. "I've always enjoyed going to theater and taking a break from the outside world. It's a really great feeling to sing a song and get a laugh from the audience."

Wheeler, meanwhile, played Joe Farkas in WST's production of "The Last Night of Ballyhoo," which won the Tony Award for Best Play in 1997.

Farkas is a Jewish "Yankee" whose job takes him to Georgia amidst the pre-war fears of the

acter has got some complexity to it," Wheeler said. "My character starts out feeling confident with a new job, knowing that he raised himself up out of his working class Brooklyn background. It seems like he's on top of the world and things are going great, and then he meets this lovely girl, and that's



The Last Night of Ballyhoo was recently performed by the Wellesley Summer Theater Company.

1930s and the assimilation anxieties of southern Jews. Wheeler's character experiences a roller coaster ride that starts with a new job and includes falling in love and urging his frightened southern counterparts to accept and honor their Jewish-ness.

"I love it when a play and a char-

also great, and then there's the anti-Semitism and the twist at the end."

Wheeler's acting career includes film roles in "Gone Baby Gone" and "The Company Men." This summer he will be performing in the Wellfleet Harbor Actors Theater's production of "An Ideal Husband."



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Wellesley's Backyard Farmers

Raising Chickens at Home Is A Growing Trend

BY DAVE HALPERIN

Raising chickens may not be the number one hobby of suburban Bostonians but the practice is a growing trend, including here in Wellesley where the number of permits for chickens has doubled in the last ten years. While the numbers remain small - approximately 12 households currently hold permits for fowl from the Health Department - there may be many more houses keeping chickens without the proper documentation.

During a recent search for an escaped dog in the northeast corner of town, Animal Control Officer Sue Webb noticed two houses keeping chickens without a permit.

"Sometimes there's honest mistakes and things are overlooked," said newly appointed Health Department Director Len Izzo, who received the information from Webb and sent the offending homeowners information on how to obtain a permit.

But many backyard chicken farmers, permit-holders or not, say the process is fun, gratifying, and educational, and that it creates a



Grace Neilson works on shoring up a portion of the ground the chickens had been digging away at.

sense of responsibility for children. Moreover, depending on the time of year, just one healthy hen will lay an egg or two a day, yielding a fresh and healthy protein source for its keepers.

"It's sort of like you're building a relationship," said Grace Neilson, who, along with her twin sister, Samantha, and her parents, Dave and Jane Neilson, have two hens and two young chicks - with the permit to do so - in their backyard coops on Cottage Street.

"Seeing them grow up, you feel like you've accomplished some-

thing," said Samantha Neilson, who added that she and her sister did not take the responsibility of acquiring the pets lightly. "We did a lot of research before getting them."

While not a full-time job, watching over four chickens requires consistency and attention to detail. Each morning before school Grace and Samantha open up the two coops - one for the hens and one for the chicks - and let them into their "backyard," a fenced in space where the chickens can roam, dig, and play. Meanwhile, as the chickens stretch their legs, the twins replenish each coop's water bowls, provide the chickens with food, and take out any eggs that have been laid.

Caring for the chickens also requires regular oversight of the structures, to make sure the chickens can't get out and predators can't get in; cleaning out the coops and backyard to remove waste - a process Jane Neilson called

"mucking out the yard"; and providing the chickens with new hay in both the yard and in the coops, where the animals use it as bedding.

It's also important, Jane Neilson says, to spend some time with young chicks; the Neilson's chicks, Star and Raven, were just two weeks old in early June when they joined their elders, Callie and Henny.

"The good thing about raising them from this age is that they're socialized," she commented, explaining that being around humans before they become set in their ways helps ensure that, come adulthood, they won't be aggressive or difficult.

Grace and Samantha also say they have tried to choose chicks that seemed like they would make good pets, a process that took place recently when they found Star and Raven at Sweet Meadow Farm in Sherborn, and purchased them for just \$7 each.

"You want to make sure they're nice chickens," Grace said. "You try to see which ones relate to your personality."

The idea to raise chickens came from Dave Neilson, who also kept hens when he lived in Vermont and, as a full-time builder, had the wherewithal to construct the family's Wellesley chicken coops to make sure the animals would have the proper living arrangements.

To that end, when a resident inquires about chickens, a member of the Health Department will visit the resident's household to assess the situation and provide informa-

tion on creating a healthy and stable environment for the animals. Information on acquiring permits for chickens is available at the Department's web site, under the "Regulations" section.

And Izzo said that a Board of Health hearing is required, and that neighbors must be informed of the hearing in order to have the opportunity to ask questions, make requests, or register their displeasure.

"Neighbors have to come to the meeting if they want to resist," he said.

While Izzo and the Health Department have seen more chicken permits in recent years, they have also heard requests to keep goats and donkeys, neither of which are technically against town bylaws, but which require an amount of space that the would-be backyard farmers did not have.



Samantha (left) and Grace Neilson holding Callie and Henny.

Chickens, on the other hand, might just be the perfect size for the animal lovers who want to go beyond dogs and cats. But potential backyard chicken farms should know: acquiring chickens could also mean an influx of human visitors as well.

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Wellesley Hills Junior Women's Club Awards \$240,105 In 2011

Local Organizations Receive \$108,000 In Donation Grants

The Wellesley Hills Junior Women's Club (WHJWC) announced that it has awarded \$108,000 in Donation Grants to Wellesley and Metrowest organizations this year, and \$240,105 overall, including another \$108,000 in college scholarships and \$24,105 in additional charitable contributions.

In the last five years, WHJWC has given away almost half a million dollars. The club awarded forty-six Donation Grants this year to area organizations, including educational organizations, civic/community organizations, health-care organizations and support programs for the elderly.

WHJWC is delighted to highlight three 2011 grant recipients: Wellesley Public Elementary Schools, the Wellesley Free Library and WINGS summer camp.

WHJWC awarded a \$17,500 grant to the Wellesley Public Schools to fund an anti-bullying program at all seven elementary schools. This two-year grant will bring Mr. Stan Davis, author and celebrated anti-bullying expert, to three Wellesley elementary schools in 2011-12 and four elementary schools in 2012-13. Mr. Davis will provide individualized

seminars, workshops and services to each elementary school. The teachers, staff, students and parents will, over the course of one year, learn how to "Stop Bullying Now" through Mr. Davis' program.

The Wellesley Free Library was awarded a \$3,096 grant to support BookBabies, a popular early literacy program for babies 3-36 months old. The grant will support two weekly BookBabies programs for 48 weeks. The format of the program is a wonderful introduction to the library for the littlest library users. Elise MacLennan, Assistant Director for Library Services, said: "BookBabies is our most popular children's reading program. Librarians believe strongly that early literacy programs like BookBabies help set the foundation for learning to read. The support we receive from the WHJWC to present BookBabies is of great assistance to the Library as we strive to fulfill our mission of serving as a community gathering place and a cultural destination."

The WINGS Program was awarded a \$4,000 grant to support the participation of children from families who qualify for tuition assistance. WINGS offers academic and enrichment courses for chil-

dren entering kindergarten through grade 5. The academic courses are in literacy, mathematics and writing. Enrichment courses are in areas such as music, art/crafts, cartooning, computer animation, science, and sports. Parents can register their children for morning or afternoon sessions, or for full day.

WHJWC was established in 1944 as a service organization under the Massachusetts Federation of Women's Clubs. Through its four fundraisers – the Wellesley Phone Book, the Marketplace craft festival, Luminary Night, and the Kitchen Tour – WHJWC raises

money that is given to local charities as well as to Wellesley scholarship recipients. The club donates to a variety of educational, recreational, healthcare, youth, civic and community programs. Particular emphasis is placed on those programs that serve the Wellesley community as a whole and its individual residents. Donation Grant Applications for 2011-12 will be available November 1, 2011 and

are due February 1, 2012.

If you are interested in learning more about the WHJWC, please contact WHJWC President Stephanie Sheps, ssheps@whjwc.org, or visit www.WHJWC.org.

For more information on Donation Grants, please contact Trish Lucas, 2011-2012 WHJWC Donations Chair, at juniorsdonations@yahoo.com

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July Calendar of Events

July 6

Wellesley Recreation Announces Outdoor Movie - The John Penny Band

July 8

Linden Courtyard Movie Series - Mama Mia Free pocorn for all Bring a comfy Chair

July 9

Funtastic Saturdays for kids at Linden Square Courtyard Join us for Funtastic Saturdays for Kids in Linden Square Courtyard from 2-5p this month. Bring the kids and enjoy free face painting, balloon twisting, kids crafts, petting farm, fun food and much more every Saturday afternoon at Linden Square's brand new courtyard (next to Ceri). Visit www.shoplindensquare.com for news and update

Wellesley College Carillon-neur: Gerald Martindale 2:00 Bring a picnic supper to Wellesley's Academic Quad and be entertained by the tones of the carillon ringing out overhead. Other great places to listen to the concerts are on the Chapel lawn, and on Severance Green. Free parking will be available in Founders Lot, and the concerts are all free and open to the public.

July 10

Wellesley Recreation Announces Outdoor Movie Warren Park

8:25pm "Harry Potter & The Deathly Hallows: Part 1"

July 13

Wellesley Recreation Announces Outdoor Movie - Rico Barr Jump 'n Jive Review

July 14

Wellesley Recreation Announces Outdoor Movie - Warren Park 8:15am "How to Train A Dragon"

July 15

Linden Courtyard Movie Series - Nanny Mcphee returns Free pocorn for all Bring a comfy Chair

July 16

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Amy Allport '10 - Bring a picnic supper to Wellesley's Academic Quad and be entertained by the tones of the carillon ringing out

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July 18

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July 20

Wellesley Recreation Announces Outdoor Movie - 60's Invasion

July 22

Linden Courtyard Movie Series - Hotel for Dogs Free pocorn for all Bring a comfy Chair

Wellesley Recreation Announces Outdoor Movie - The Reminisants

July 23

Wellesley Recreation Announces Outdoor Movie - Cam Meekins (Teen Concert) rain date June 30

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July 27

Wellesley Recreation Announces Outdoor Movie - BaHa Brothers

July 28

Wellesley Recreation Announces Outdoor Movie - Town Hall Green (concert stage) 8:10pm "The Blind Side" Regards

July 29

Wellesley Recreation Announces Outdoor Movie - Tom Nutile Big Band

Linden Courtyard Movie Series - The Bee Movie Free pocorn for all Bring a comfy Chair

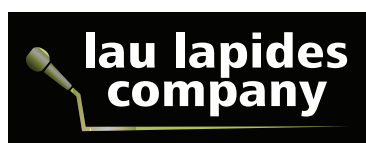
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As a Speech and Communication Coach I come from the professional theatre, film, and television broadcasting industry, and directly from the school of thought that you are ALWAYS ON, always presenting, always performing! Our lives are unfolding moment to moment and your communication never stops. In fact, there is never a moment when you're not presenting. Even when you're sleeping you're presenting: your brain and body is always functioning—reacting and engaging in dialogue with other people as you dream! As a professional performer and corporate facilitator I am excited and eager to share my knowledge and expertise with you to get you to the next level in being heard, understood, and even admired for your communication style that is, after all, uniquely your

own!

I will provide handy, helpful tips that you can put into action right now, with almost anyone at any time, to discover how you can mold and shape your relationships moment to moment, day by day, month by month. This column is going to give you information on how to:

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Tip of the month:

Begin every morning with a 10-15 minute warm-up routine to awaken the mind and body while

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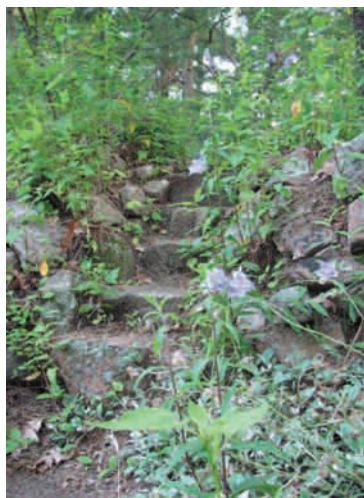
So come join me monthly for quick and easy communication tips. These will encourage you to step outside the box and ignite your professional and personal communication skills. You will be inspired and motivated to achieve dramatic results! The tools and techniques are meant for practical, immediate application and you will learn exactly how the "pros" practice these strategies for high impact communication and results! So go ahead, be brave, take a breath, and communicate your ideas with authenticity, clarity, and passion!

"Walks in Wellesley" – Not Just a Walk in the Woods

BY ZACHARY LAMOTHE

Almost forty years has passed since the Wellesley Conservation Council published the inaugural edition of what would become its most lauded publication, "Walks in Wellesley: Exploring Open Space and Trails." This last September, the Council put out the newest edition of this book.

The Wellesley Conservation Council was formed in 1958 by a group of concerned citizens in response to the post-war population boom of Wellesley. The intent in forming the group was to ensure that public green space be enjoyed not only for the present generation,



An outdoor staircase at Cronk's Rocky Woodland.

but for generations to follow. The stated goal of the Council was "to protect and preserve natural areas in Wellesley, to educate the public about the need for conservation, to encourage appreciation of natural history and to acquire and hold land for the benefit of the public."

Many residents are familiar with the Wellesley Trail System, which is kept up by a volunteer committee and run by the Town. The land

protected by the Conservation Council is different. The Wellesley Conservation Council is a non-profit group run by membership funds (\$25 for a yearlong family membership) as well as from generous donations. Today the Council is run by a Board of Directors, which is currently headed by its President, Ingrid Carls.

Even though the original "Walks in Wellesley" was written in 1972 by Margaret Klein Wilson, the author's intention remains the same: to get people outdoors to enjoy Wellesley's numerous public spaces, as well as to educate visitors about the town's diverse ecological systems. The latest edition of the book was supervised by Carls, Nancy Bagdasarian, and Fred Fortmiller.

Carls says that this is a "sweet book" which is extremely readable, has lovely illustrations to assist the reader in describing the walks, and is equipped with a detailed trail map of the locations of Wellesley's walks. The book reads at a much deeper level than a typical guidebook. The reader gets a vivid visual image of the land and meandering trails even before taking a step outside. In its "Nature Notes" sections, the book also provides descriptions of the flora and fauna that walkers may encounter. The folksy writing style of the book appeals to the inner-New Englander, with aphorisms like "leaves of three, let it be" when describing poison ivy.

"Walks in Wellesley" is arranged geographically, starting in the

western end of town with "Bogle Brook and Reed's Pond Trail" and moving eastward. When asked what some of their favorite walks



Cronk's Rocky Woodland is one of the natural areas profiled in "Walks in Wellesley."

were, Carls and Bagdasarian mentioned three: the "Guernsey Sanctuary," "Cronk's Rocky Woodland," and "Pickle Point."

This book takes hikers to places they could have easily missed; without its advice, even a longtime Wellesley resident might not be familiar with the colorfully named natural gem, Cronk's Rocky Woodland. Off the beaten path in a residential neighborhood, this half acre sanctuary is full of lady's slippers, lowbush blueberry bushes, and American hollies. Like the majority of walks featured in the book, Cronk's is on land owned by the Conservation Council. Also included are properties managed by the Town of Wellesley, as well as by the Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR).

Overall "Walks" is a must have for any Wellesley resident who wants to enjoy the vast array of protected land that the Council has worked so diligently to preserve. It

is also a recommended read for residents who want to educate themselves in what is figuratively, and in some cases literally, their own backyard. This would also serve as an excellent introduction for the out-of-towner who wants to explore Wellesley's wealth of conservation land. "Walks in Wellesley" takes the reader on an adventure from ponds to wildflower gardens, from drumlins to the Charles River; the book highlights the plethora of options that the day hiker can enjoy in

Wellesley.

"Walks in Wellesley" is available for \$15 at Wellesley Books (formerly Wellesley Booksmith), the Natural Resources Commission at town hall, or at the Wellesley Public Library.

For more information on the book, becoming a member of the Council, or about any of their other publications, please contact the Wellesley Conservation Council at 781-237-6125 or email Conserve02481@hotmail.com.

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Wellesley Sports

Raiders Baseball Finishes With Second-Best Record Ever

BY TIM DAVIS

The Wellesley Raiders baseball team finished off their second-best season in school history this month with a 4-0 loss to Sharon in the second round of the State Tournament, a game that capped off an impressive 16-6 season.

"The seniors are the ones who took us down this path," said Wellesley manager Rob Kane.

Seniors Dan Dymecki (4-year varsity letterman and Bay State Conference MVP) and Kevin O'Brien (3 years on varsity) were first-team Bay State All-Stars and led the Raiders to a six-game win-

ning streak that began at the end of the regular season and culminated with an 8-4 win over Falmouth in the first round of the Division 2 Tournament in early June.

"With Dymecki, O'Brien, Stu Porter (first-team All-Star), and Blake Dowling playing every single day," said Kane, "the seniors came through, but you have to look at Connor Hawkinson, who picked up a big win against Medfield, Matt Farina, who did a fantastic job in the Natick game, and Alex Cohen and Armand Menegay, who were critical off the bench in key situations."

Following his league-MVP per-



Tim Superko fires a pitch.

formance, in which he led the Bay State in home runs and slugging percentage and went 6-0 over the season on the mound, Dymecki will head to Phillips Andover next year before heading off to play college baseball.

In the Sharon loss, the Raiders, whose trademark is to "run on anyone," were unable to get on the base paths and be aggressive against Sharon southpaw, David Roberto.



Raiders in action against Falmouth.

"We ran into a great pitcher, probably popping the ball at 83-85 mph," said Kane. "He was controlling the location of the baseball and working inside and outside. Certainly one of the better pitchers we've seen all season, with his ability to command."

During one scoring opportunity, Roberto picked off a Wellesley runner and forced the Raiders to continue looking for the timely hit that never came.

"We couldn't get that hit when we needed to," said Kane, "and they executed."

Despite hitting .282 as a team for the season, the Raiders left the bases loaded three times in their loss.

Roberto also got the Raiders to chase some bad pitches and allowed only six hits against a usually potent offense that stole 76 bases this year.

Despite losing some big names this year Coach Kane expects big things next year from a highly regarded younger group in the middle school and JV ranks.

"Next year we've got to find a way to improve," said Kane, "and I think the group we have coming back is just as hungry as this group, and we're going to find a way to be right there in contention."

Look for lefty Tim Superko to



Blake Dowling at shortstop against Falmouth.

pick up the slack on the mound left by Dymecki. As the Raiders number two-pitcher, Superko finished the year with 49 strikeouts. Freshman Jack Porter will have to carry the big shoes left by his All-Star brother Stu behind the plate.

Coach Kane also sees the ability to control opponents' running games as a key to next year's success, and with Superko and Porter returning they should certainly be able to do that.

But this year's squad will not be soon forgotten, especially as a team that earned a top-five tournament seed as well as a home play-off win to go along with the second best record in team history.

"I know they are not going to forget that," said Kane.

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Wellesley Sports

Boys Lax Bows Out, Finishes Strong Season

BY LIZZY SNELL

It was another June playoff matchup between the Wellesley and Medfield boys' lacrosse teams on Tuesday, June 7 in the MIAA Division 2 East Sectional State Tournament quarterfinals, which ended in a 7-5 Medfield victory and brought the undefeated Raiders season to a close.

Since 2006 the teams have met each year in the state tournament, with the Warriors coming out victorious in each matchup, with the



Connor Darcey makes a save against Medfield.

Lawrence and senior attack Paul Vasko had two early goals for the Raiders and junior captain Ryan Cassidy scored at 7:31 of the second quarter to give the Raiders a 3-1 lead.

Batty admitted that small mistakes added up, especially in the second half, including that Medfield won every faceoff in the final quarters.

Overall though, Batty said he "couldn't be more proud" of each of his players.

"I'm going to give each of [the seniors] a hug and tell them how proud I am," Batty said. "It's easy for me; I'm going to look back after tonight and just look back at what a great group of guys we had."

Raider players agreed that the thing they will miss the most is the friendships they've built up during the season. For the seniors though, the hardest part of the loss was the realization that they would no longer play with their teammates.

Junior goalie Connor Darcey (13 saves) said the entire season revolved around the positive team relationships and that everyone was always "pushing each other and wanting to see the best out of everyone."

"Everyone always looked forward to going to practice," Darcey said. "It wasn't a hassle. We didn't look at it like, 'Oh we have to go to practice.'"

Senior captain Charlie Jennings said the one thing he would take away from the season was the camaraderie that was established between all of the players.

"It's the friendships you build on this team," he said. "I feel like they're all my brothers. I don't want this to end this way. It's not even the loss; it's not having another day with them that hurts."



Wellesley brought the Raider Flag to every game this year.

exception of a Raiders victory in 2006. Coming into the season the Warriors were the defending Division 2 state champions and, after defeating Wellesley this year, they went on to win it all once again.

"As hard as it is to say, I love playing Medfield in June," said Wellesley head coach Rocky Batty. "We did everything we could to give us a leg up in a home game... We'll play them every June if we can. It's an after-Memorial Day tradition we want to have."

The Raiders entered the fourth quarter with a 4-2 lead but the Warriors were able to power back with four unanswered goals in the first three minutes of the final quarter.

Junior attack Peter Crane (two goals, assist) stole back a point off a pass from senior captain Sam Lawrence with just over seven minutes left in the game. However, the Warriors answered back less than two minutes later and were able to hang on to the 7-5 score.

"We really tried to approach it like every other game," Batty said. "Our mindset was good. The guys had good energy. If you look at how we started the game, we had a good explosive opening."



The Raiders huddle up during the state tournament.

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Wellesley Lacrosse Says Goodbye to Stars After Loss to Westwood

BY TIM DAVIS

They say “everything must come to an end” and for the 2011 Wellesley girl’s lacrosse team that end was June 8 in Westwood against one of the state’s best teams.

“They are above and beyond the best program in Mass.,” said Wellesley senior all-star Blake Dietrick.

It was a storied career for two of Wellesley’s finest in Dietrick, the school’s all-time scorer in both

basketball and lacrosse, and her coach Christine Molonea, who says good-bye after twenty-nine years as head coach for both field hockey and lacrosse for the Raiders.

“I could not have been more fortunate,” said Molonea.

This year the Raiders lacrosse team improved to 16-2-1 in one of their better seasons with the sticks.

“I think we did a terrific job this season. We stuck together,” said Molonea. “These kids have sup-



Coach Christine Molonea talks to her team at halftime.



Blake Dietrick faces off against Westwood.

ported each other the entire season, and the seniors stepped up.”

Things were no different in Dietrick’s and Molonea’s final game, as the Raiders fought back from



Dietrick heading toward the net for a goal in the second half.

large deficits to keep the game respectable against the Wolverines before falling 18-7 in the South Sectional semifinals.

“We couldn’t get the ball on draws and possessions,” said Dietrick, “which was the key to that game, and we didn’t win it.”

Dietrick did win plenty in her career, and Molonea praised the Princeton-bound senior for her tremendous work ethic.

“She works harder than everybody else,” said Molonea, “even on the weekends.”

Dietrick scored four goals and added an assist in the Westwood finale, and finished her career in lacrosse next to fellow seniors Julia Flanigan, Abby Bunting, Adrienne O’Donnell, Bianca Calderone, Shelby Witherford, Leah Dowd, Lauren Baer, and Maggie Dore.

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Will Medicare Or Medicaid Pay For Your Alzheimer's Care?

BY DENNIS B. SULLIVAN, ESQ.,
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Do you know the difference between Medicare and Medicaid? For EVERY senior it is vital to know the difference. Your future may depend on it.

According to the World Alzheimer Report 2010, Alzheimer's disease is taking a terrible toll worldwide. According to Dr. Daisy Acosta of Alzheimer's Disease International, "This is a wake-up call that Alzheimer's disease and other dementias are the single most significant health and social crisis of the 21st century."

What's even worse is that dementia is on the rise, and in the US almost half the seniors over age 80 have this tragic disease. Dementia puts a great strain on a family's finances and the loved ones likely serving as caregivers. For more information about what you can do

to make your life as a caregiver better today, read our free Alzheimer's Resource Guide, available on our website, or request it on the reverse side. For options on how to pay for care, please call our office.

So what does this have to do with Medicare & Medicaid? Medicare is a type of public health insurance for those age 65 and older. Many seniors don't realize that Medicare does not pay for long-term care. The confusion is easy to understand because Medicare does pay for rehabilitation.

So, if a senior citizen is enrolled in the traditional Medicare plan and is hospitalized for a stay of at least three days and is then admitted into a skilled nursing facility, Medicare may pay - for a short while. But once those Medicare benefits hit 100 consecutive days, you've hit the maximum.

In some cases, Medicare may not even cover the full 100 days. The criterion is that there must be some actual improvement to your condition, otherwise Medicare will decide that it is a long-term care need, and they'll cut you off. Since diseases like Alzheimer's and Parkinson's have no known cure today, rehabilitation is not possible, so Medicare will not pay for nursing home care if you have Alzheimer's or Parkinson's.

Unlike Medicare, Medicaid will pay for Alzheimer's, Parkinson's, or dementia-related diseases, or a decline in functioning due to the aging process. You must, however, exhaust all your resources (including your spouse's) before you will be eligible, that is unless you take steps to protect your home, spouse and life-savings so you can avoid nursing home poverty. We can help. To learn more, call our office.

Medicaid is paid for by both federal and state funds but is administered on a state level. The federal government covers between 50-80% of the program costs, and the state pays the rest. Rules can vary from state to state (even county to county) rather dramatically. However, on the positive side, the law enables you to take steps to protect your home, life-savings and spouse so they are not impoverished if you go to a nursing home.

So, as you can see, Medicare is health insurance, and Medicaid is public long-term care coverage, but often there are stages in between that require examination and discussion. For more information, available from www.DSullivan.com, download our free elder guide The Massachusetts Elder Guide to Medicaid, Nursing Homes and Asset Protection, Nursing Homes and Asset Protection or watch our educational video on How To

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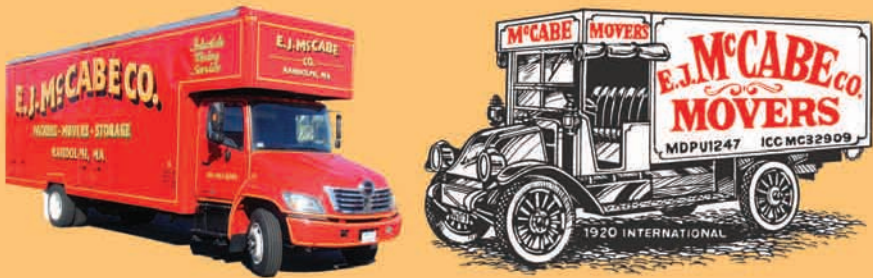


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